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PRODUCING PEPTIDE USING THEM
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Certified English Translation of U.S. 60/491,554 filed August 1, 2003 (executed)

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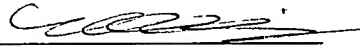
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